



REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 2851

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION of

Confirmation No.: 6299

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Group Art Unit: 2851

Appln. No.: 09/605,657

Examiner: NGUYEN, H.

Filed: June 28, 2000

Title: CAPPING LAYER FOR EUV OPTICAL ELEMENTS

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
And Trademarks  
Washington, DC 20231

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 13, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 20 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please enter amended claims 21-25, 28 and 29, as follows: